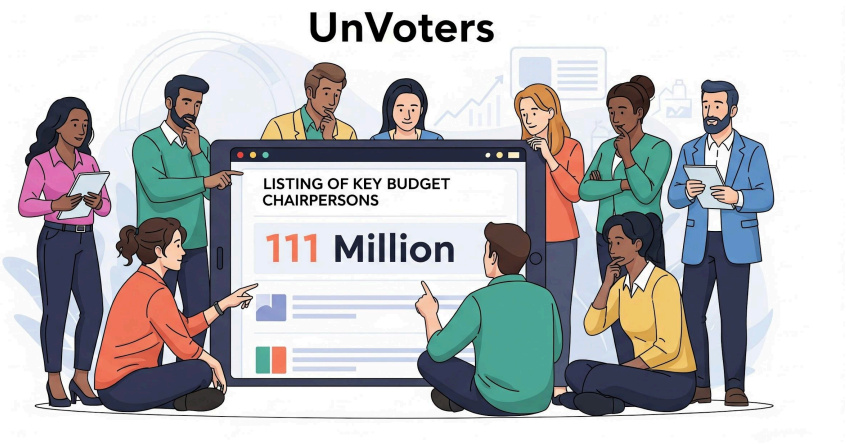

Evaluating the provided listing of key budget chairpersons as a tool for citizen engagement reveals a strategic and highly relevant resource for the 111 million UnVoters in the USA. By focusing on the "power of the purse," this list connects abstract economic policy to the specific individuals who control federal funding. Deep Dive Narrative Click 2 Hear

Contacting Budget Leaders Moves UnVoters to Stakeholders.mp3

Tune On for the PromptCasting4Good Narrative by AEIA “Thinking Cooperatively” HCI Co-Development Partnership BardiVarius/Thomas Click 2 Hear

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A Useful Aid for Citizen Engagement

This listing is an effective engagement tool because it moves beyond general "government" and identifies the precise "gatekeepers" of the national budget.

- **Targeted Accountability: It provides direct contact information (landlines and social media) for the most influential figures in the 2026 budget process. This allows citizens to move from being "UnVoters" to active "Stakeholders" who can voice their concerns where they have the most impact.**
- **Bipartisan Reach: The list includes key leaders from both parties, such as Rep. Tom Cole (R-OK), Chair of the House Appropriations Committee, and Rep. Rosa DeLauro (D-CT), the Ranking Member. This reflects a balanced approach to engagement, essential for navigating a polarized political landscape.**
- **Strategic Verticals: By highlighting chairs of specific subcommittees—like Rep. Ken Calvert (Defense) and Rep. Betty McCollum (Ranking Member, Defense)—it allows citizens to engage on specific issues they care about, from military spending to social programs.**

Key Budget Leadership (2025-2026)

The individuals listed below are the primary decision-makers for the Fiscal Year 2026 appropriations process.

Role	Leader	District/State	Contact Focus
House Appropriations Chair	Tom Cole (R)	OK-04	Overall federal spending
House Appropriations Ranking Member	Rosa DeLauro (D)	CT-03	Labor, Health, and Education
Senate Appropriations Chair	Susan Collins (R)	Maine	First GOP woman to lead the committee
Defense Subcommittee	Ken Calvert (R)	CA-41	Military and defense

Chair			budget
Defense Subcommittee Ranking Member	Betty McCollum (D)	MN-04	Oversight of defense priorities

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Engagement Best Practices

To maximize the utility of this aid for the "UnVoter" population, engagement should follow the Ph.G Standards of rigor and measurable impact:

1. Use the EQRi Codes: The provided "Scan Me" codes are designed to keep digital comments peaceful and constructive.
2. Focus on ReAppropriation: Engagement can center on the ReAppropriation Act, advocating for the shift of funds toward community-led, sustainable impact initiatives.
3. Demand Provenance: Just as Deep Dive Digital uses Authenticated Intelligence (AiP) to verify data, citizens should demand transparency in how these leaders allocate funds and the data sources they use for those decisions.

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